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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: EASTERN ACQUISITION OF CARIBAIR

REF: PARIS 13240

1. WE ALERTED ESPEROU OF SGAC TO EMBASSY NOTE OF MAY 14 TO FOREIGN MINISTRY RE EASTERN ACQUISITION OF CARIBAIR. ESPEROU SAID THAT SUBSEQUENT TO HIS CONVERSATION WITH EMBASSY THIS SUBJECT LAST WEEK (PARIS 12997 NOTAL) SGAC HAD RECEIVED TELEX AND ALSO PHONE CALL FROM EASTERN. HE CONFIRMED SGAC HAD INSTRUCTED CIVIL AIR AUTHORITIES FRENCH WEST INDIES TO PERMIT EASTERN OPERATE IN LIEU CARIBAIR UPON TRANSFER OF SERVICE TO EASTERN.

2. ESPEROU SAID THAT SGAC DOES NOT ISSUE OPERATING LICENSES FOREIGN CARRIERS (PARA 1(B) STATE 84918) AND ONLY FORMALITY EASTERN IS REQUIRED COMPLY WITH IS FILING OF ITS ROUTE SCHEDULES WITH SGAC. WE PRESUME EASTERN APPRISED OF THIS DIRECTLY BY SGAC.

3. COMMENT: ESPEROU WAS RELAXED ON THIS OCCASION AND TREATED DESIGNATION NEW CARRIER AS ROUTINE MATTER UNDER U. S.- FRENCH AIR TRANSPORT BILATERAL. WE DISMISS HIS EARLIER REACTION REPORTED PARIS 12997 AS MOMENTARY SHOW OF GALLIC PIQUE OF NO LASTING SIGNIFICANCE.

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